



8 AM & 10:30 AM

May 3, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter



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Thank you for continually and faithfully bringing bags of groceries for St. Mary's Food Pantry. You can find their list of their most-needed items at stmarysjax.org/outreach.

TODAY

Fifth Sunday of Easter

9am: Dean's Forum: Understanding Christian Nationalism as Peacemakers, Taliaferro Hall

Julie Ingersoll, PhD, a professor at UNF specializing in Religion in America, will speak on Christian Nationalism.

Next week's Dean's Forum will focus on "Peacemakers Among Family and Friends." Denise Warner, a Licensed Mental Health Counselor, will speak on negotiating "kitchen table conversations" with family and friends when we have different opinions.

Each forum will allow time for discussion of these topics at the tables. If you have any questions, please contact **Linda O'Dell** at lodell@jaxcathedral.org.

9am: Living Faith at the Cathedral: Newcomer's Class Cathedral House Reception area

If you are new to the Cathedral or are simply looking to renew your faith, join the Rev. Tom O'Dell for this informative series. Tom will be answering your questions about life at the Cathedral and in the Episcopal Church. Questions: todell@jaxcathedral.org.

12pm - Commemoration of the Great Fire, Taliaferro Hall

Mark the 125th anniversary of the Great Fire of 1901 with a special lecture at St. John's Cathedral. Local historian and author Wayne Wood will explore the fire that reshaped Jacksonville and the resilience that rose from its ashes. A book signing will follow. All are welcome.



Music in May

First Coast Wind Symphony Mother's Day Concert: Celebrating America's 250th Birthday Sunday, May 10, 4pm, Cathedral Nave

This family-friendly concert, featuring St. John's Cathedral organist Timothy Tuller, will include the classic "Crown Imperial" march by William Walton, as well as the premiere performance of a fresh new work by local composer Bob Moore titled "Finster!" based on the colorful life of American folk artist Howard Finster. Several Finster paintings will be displayed during the performance as the music captures the spirit of each artwork. Admission and parking are free; get your free tickets using the QR code here!



Bold City Opera presents Encores and Evolution: A Fundraiser Cabaret Saturday, May 16, 7pm, Taliaferro Hall

Join us for a luminous cabaret fundraiser as we trace the echoes of our first three seasons and let them blossom into bold new dreams. Hear our story unfold in song, carried by the voices who shaped our beginnings and continue to inspire what comes next. From beloved moments of seasons past to tantalizing glimpses of the future, this is more than a performance—it's a celebration of growth, artistry, and the journey still ahead. Scan the QR code here for ticket information!



Baptisms & Confirmations

May 24, following the 10:30am service

At St. John's Cathedral, Pentecost will be celebrated with baptisms, confirmations, receptions, and reaffirmations, with the presence Bishop Stokes. If you are interested in participating in or learning more about these rites, please be in touch with Linda O'Dell at lodell@jaxcathedral.org.



*Throughout this service, items in **bold** are spoken by the congregation in unison.*

At the sound of the bell, all stand. The bell tolls nine times, three times three is a symbol of the Trinity.

1982 Hymnal

We follow a cross to worship as Jesus said, "Take up your cross and follow me."

This acclamation weaves together "Alleluia" (ancient Hebrew praise) with the resurrection proclamation of Luke 24, so that the congregation's first words are a communal act of witness.

This prayer changes each Sunday and summarizes a theme from today's Scripture readings.

All sit.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Opening Voluntary

Suite gothique, Léon Boëllmann
II. Menuet gothique

Introit (10:30 a.m.)

Praise ye the lord, ye children, Christopher Tye

Praise the Lord, ye children: praise ye the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord for evermore. The Lord's name is praised from the East unto the West. The Lord is high above all nations: and his glory is above the heavens.

In Procession, Hymn #432

"O praise ye the Lord!" *Laudate Dominum*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Lesson: Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

The Words of Holy Scripture.

Thanks be to God.

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.

Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, for you are my tower of strength.

Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

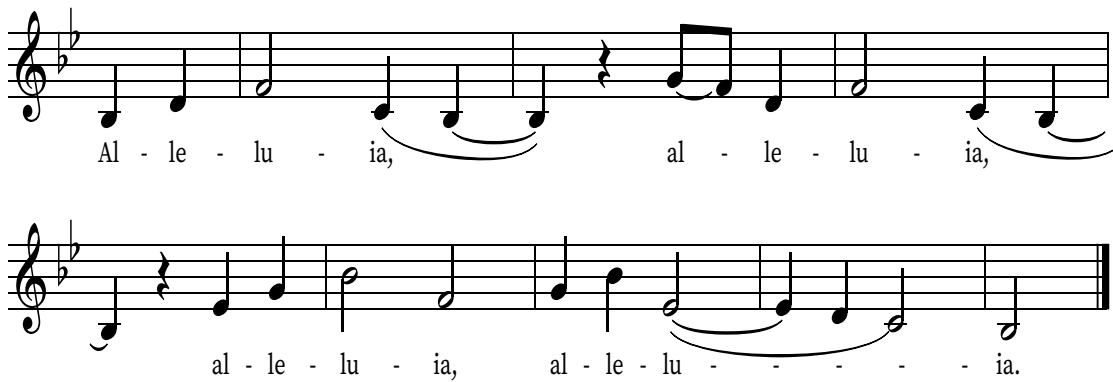
Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving-kindness save me.

The Psalms are the Church's oldest hymnal and prayer book. Even before the Church existed, Jesus himself prayed these words. In worship, the psalm is often spoken together as a way of shaping our community's hearts.

A Repeating Alleluia

Calvin Hampton

All stand. The chant is sung 5 times.



We sing, offering ourselves to God to prepare for the Gospel.

The Holy Gospel: John 14:1-14

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

Glorify to you, O Christ.

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

The clergy read the Gospel in the midst of the congregation because in Jesus the Word of God was carried to the people.

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

The good news of our Savior.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Repeat chant 3 times.

*All sit.
A period of silence is kept
following the sermon.*

All stand.

*The Nicene Creed is a
statement of trust, and not of
certainty. We are saying “We
believe in you, God.”*

*The Prayers of the People are
written by our clergy at the
start of each season.*

A Repeating Alleluia

Calvin Hampton

The Sermon

The Very Rev. Kate Moorehead Carroll

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Risen Christ, open our eyes to your presence in the ordinary moments of our days: in the beauty of the created world, in the faces of those we love, and in the breaking of bread. May we never be so hurried or so blind that we miss you. Risen Christ,
Bring us to the fullness of your grace.

We pray for all who are heavy-laden: for the sick in body, mind, or spirit; for those crushed by poverty or displaced by war; for immigrants far from home, and all who sleep without shelter tonight. May they be held in your all-embracing love. Risen Christ,
Bring us to the fullness of your grace.

We pray for peace throughout the world: not merely for the end of violence, but for justice and mercy that lead to true peace. Where there is conflict and hatred, pour out your reconciling Spirit. Risen Christ,
Bring us to the fullness of your grace.

Teach us to see your image in one another: across difference and division, in moments of frustration and misunderstanding. Give us the grace to listen before we speak, to forgive as we have been forgiven, and to hold fast to hope when discord threatens to overwhelm. Risen Christ,
Bring us to the fullness of your grace.

Stir in us a reverent love for this good earth you have entrusted to our care. Grant us wisdom and commitment to protect the waters, the land, and the creatures with whom we share this world. Risen Christ,

Bring us to the fullness of your grace.

We commend to your loving mercy all who have died. Receive them into the light of your glory, and sustain us until we are united with them in the life that knows no end.

Risen Christ,

Bring us to the fullness of your grace.

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory Anthem (10:30 a.m.)

Christ the Lord is risen again, Eric H. Thiman

Christ the Lord is risen again! Christ hath broken every chain!
Hark! Angelic voices cry, singing evermore on high. Alleluia!
He, who gave for us His life, who for us endured the strife,
Is our Paschal Lamb today! We too sing for joy, and say, Alleluia!
He who bore our pain and loss comfortless upon the cross,
Lives in glory now on high, pleads for us, and hears our cry. Alleluia!
Hymns of praise then let us sing unto Christ our heavenly King,
Who endured the cross and grave, sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia! Amen.

LEVAS #13

Harmony

My Lord, what a morn-ing, My Lord, what a morn-ing, O
my Lord, what a morn-ing, When the stars be-gin to fall.

Fine

The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship I

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The celebrant adds a concluding prayer.

The Resurrected Christ, when he appeared to the disciples, said these words.

As the altar is prepared for Holy Communion, please place your offering in the collection plate as it is passed. You may also give by texting "jaxcathedral \$(amount)" to 73256, or use the QR code to give online. Thank you for your generosity.

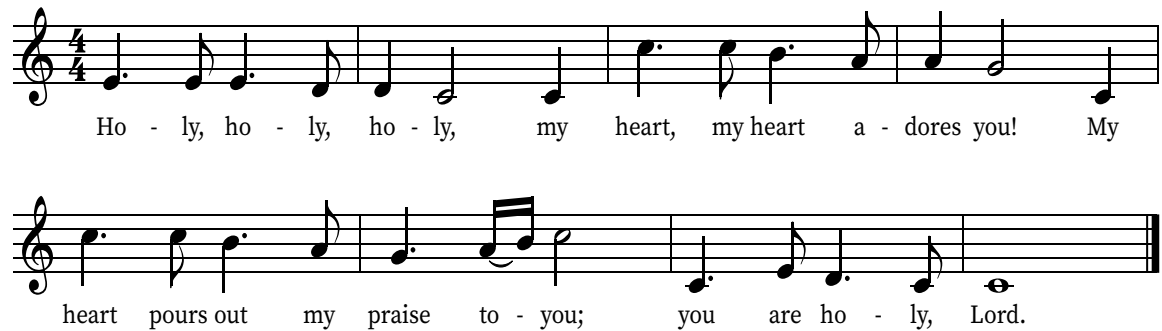


All stand. Sing 3 times.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy; but chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My
heart pours out my praise to - you; you are ho - ly, Lord.

This ancient song, called the Sanctus, is sung by the angels in the book of Revelation.

The Sanctus is sung 3 times.

All kneel or stand as able.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

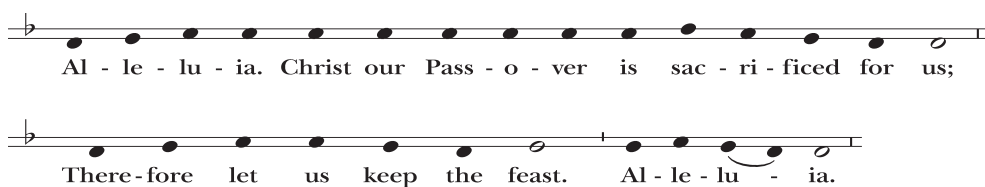
Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

*These words come from
Scripture:
Matthew 26:26-29
Mark 14:22-25
Luke 22:14-20
1 Corinthians 11:23-26*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Fraction Anthem, Hymn #S-152 (*spoken at 8 a.m., sung at 10:30 a.m.*)



The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Music at Communion (*10:30 a.m.*)

Gospel Offering

“I am thine oh Lord,” Fanny Crosby
John White, soloist

Hymn #194

“Jesus lives! Thy terrors now can no longer, death, appall us” *St. Albinus*

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Joseph Barnby

Prayer of Sending and Service

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the Blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you now and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

All who long for God are welcome to receive Communion. If you are not baptized, we invite you to speak with a member of the clergy about Baptism, the doorway into the Church's full sacramental life.

Everyone is also welcome to come to the altar for a blessing, indicated by folding your arms across your chest.

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread, and all join in singing the Fraction Anthem.

Please let clergy know if you would like a gluten-free wafer. If you would like to receive communion and are unable to come to the altar, please ask an usher for assistance.

If you are in need of confidential prayers, please come to the chapel to the right of the altar (the South Transcept).

At 10:30 a.m., a socially-distant communion table is set in the chapel to the left of the altar (the North Transcept).

We thank God for the gift of Christ's body and blood.

All stand. 1982 Hymnal.

In Recession, Hymn #623 (8 a.m. St. 1-3)

“O what their joy and their glory must be”
O quanta qualia

*We follow the cross into the
world to be the hands and feet
of Christ.*

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Voluntary

Toccata, Percy Fletcher



The flowers at the altar today are given to the Glory of God.

Calendar

MON. 5/4

8am - Centering Prayer, Zoom

Start your week off with guided centering prayer. Contact Owene at owene_courtney@yahoo.com.

12pm - First Monday Book Club, Zoom

The Instrumentalist, by Harriett Constable. Visit jaxcathedralbooks.org for more information and the Zoom link.

TUES. 5/5

10am - Art Group, The Painting Place (under Taliaferro Hall)

Come paint with us. Contact Kathie at meuselbachkl@yahoo.com.

12pm - Art@Noon: Backstory with Wayne Wood, Zoom

Join us as we talk with local author Wayne Wood about his book, *The Great Fire of 1901*. Visit jaxcathedralbooks.org for more information and the Zoom link.

4pm - Cancer Support Group, Room 303

All are welcome, regardless of faith tradition or stage in the journey. Contact Lisa at lisamck@bellsouth.net.

WED. 5/6

7:30am & 11am - Bible Study, Taliaferro Hall

The Rev. Mark Anderson and the Rev. Tom O'Dell will offer lessons from the life of David on five Wednesdays this Easter-tide. Choose the time on Wednesdays that works for you!

12:10pm - Healing Service, Cummings Chapel

A weekly gathering of prayer and the Holy Eucharist.

6pm - Art Group, The Painting Place (under Taliaferro Hall)

Gather with fellow artists and paint to your heart's content. Contact Heather at chihuahua7044@att.net.

THURS. 5/7

8:15am - Divorce Support Group, Room 304

Contact Doug Meyers at accts.myers@gmail.com for more information.

9:30am - Centering Prayer, Dooly Library

Let go of distractions; open your heart to the divine within.

7:30pm - Sound Quest Community Sound Journey, Cummings Chapel

Bring pillows, blankets, and yoga mats. A cash donation is greatly appreciated. Come out and experience relaxation through sound. Proceeds from this event will benefit the multiple programs that benefit our community offered through St. John's Cathedral.

FRI. 5/8

9am - Reading Between the Lines, Zoom

An online Scripture study supplemented by art, literature, poetry. Contact Owene at ocourtney@jaxcathedral.org.

SAT. 5/9

10am-2pm - Mindful Aging Strategies,

Busey Conference Room

Legacy: Walking our Walk, Writing our Story and Communicating our Plans in Life's Second Half. Find introspection and creativity, get to know yourself, leave with a plan. Hosted by gerontologist and author, Susanna P Barton. Lunch will be provided. \$25 per person. Scan the QR code here to learn more and register.



SUN. 5/10

9am - Dean's Forum: Peacemakers Among Family and Friends, Taliaferro Hall

Denise Warner, a Licensed Mental Health Counselor, will speak on negotiating "kitchen table conversations" with family and friends when we have different opinions.

4pm - First Coast Wind Symphony Mother's Day Concert,

Cathedral Nave

See page 2 for more information.

MON. 5/11

8am - Centering Prayer, Zoom

Start your week off with guided centering prayer. Contact Owene at owene_courtney@yahoo.com.

6-7:15pm - Yoga, Cummings Chapel

Free, gentle yoga practice, led by Megan Cochran.

TUES. 5/12

10am - Art Group, The Painting Place (under Taliaferro Hall)

Come paint with us. Contact Kathie at meuselbachkl@yahoo.com.

4pm - Cancer Support Group, Room 303

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12:10pm - Healing Service, *Cummings Chapel*

A weekly gathering of prayer and the Holy Eucharist.

1pm - Prayerful Crafts, *Dooly Library*

Whether your gift is knitting, crocheting, painting, or any other craft, come join us! Contact Robin at rcclass@yahoo.com.

6pm - Art Group, *The Painting Place (under Taliaferro Hall)*

Gather with fellow artists and paint to your heart's content. Contact Heather at chihuahua7044@att.net.

THURS. 5/14

8:15am - Divorce Support Group, *Room 304*

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SAT. 5/16

7pm - Bold City Opera presents **Encores and Evolution: A Fundraiser Cabaret**

Taliaferro Hall

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SUN. 5/17

7am-1pm -Blood Drive, *Market Street*

Join us for this very special blood drive with LifeSouth! In addition to the service of giving blood, this drive is also a fundraiser for Creation Keepers Camp this summer. With just 15 donors, we will unlock \$300 to support the formation of our youngest members. Each additional donation adds \$10 to the total. It's a simple, life-giving way to care for our community while supporting Children's Ministries at St. John's Cathedral. Appointments are offered in 15-minute time slots. We invite you to use the QR code here to sign up today and be part of the fifteen (and beyond!). Remember to eat a good breakfast and stay well hydrated before donating.



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